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**UTILITY PATENT
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Box PATENT APPLICATION
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application of Carl D. McCrosky; Bernard Guay; Doug Konkin; Steven F. Lang; Winston K. Mok for BUS INTERFACE FOR TRANSFER OF MULTIPLE SONET/SDH RATES OVER A SERIAL BACKPLANE.

Applicant(s) hereby request(s) that the above-captioned application **NOT BE PUBLISHED** under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.211. The undersigned hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure 1 for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.

Also enclosed are:

4 sheet(s) of formal informal drawing(s);

a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is hereby made to 2,337,642 filed in Canada on February 21, 2001;

in the declaration;

a certified copy of the priority document;

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An executed unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s)
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Small entity status is hereby claimed.

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
--This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 to
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--This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 to U.S. Provisional Application No. entitled and filed on , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference.--.

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
 --This application is a continuation of International Application No. filed on , which International Application [] was [] was not published by the International Bureau in English on .--.

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Total Application Fee					740.00
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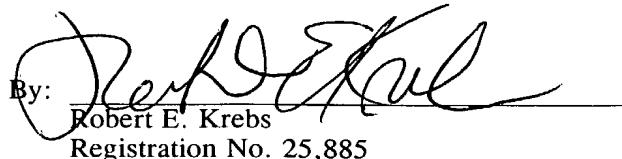
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